AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A home server, which receives a requirement sent from a sending source via a communication line, offers an internet service, and controls equipment connected to said home server in its own home, said home server comprising:

telephone number coincidence-checking means for determining whether or not it can be accepted to perform said requirement sent from the sending source, said telephone number coincidence-checking means includes means which do not hinder the operation of other telephone equipment including a fax telephone and using a common telephone line connected to said home server;

modem means for receiving said requirement, which has been accepted by said telephone number coincidence-checking means;

protocol-processing means for converting a signal of said requirement received by said modem means to an internet service requirement;

internet service-offering means for offering said internet service corresponding to said sending source in response to said internet service requirement to said sending source, which has been converted by said protocol-processing means; and

control means for controlling concerned equipment in said home [[if]] which is needed to offer said internet service, which is to be offered by said internet service-offering means, needs a control process concerning said internet server.

2. (Currently Amended) A home server, which receives a requirement sent from a sending source via a communication line, offers an internet service, and controls equipment connected to said home server in its own home, said home server comprising:

telephone number coincidence-checking means for determining whether or not it can be accepted to perform said requirement sent from the sending source, said telephone number coincidence-checking means includes means which do not hinder the operation of other telephone equipment including a fax telephone and using a common telephone line connected to said home server;

modem means for receiving said requirement, which has been accepted by said telephone number coincidence-checking means;

protocol-processing means for converting a signal of said requirement received by said modem means to an internet service requirement; and

internet service-offering means for offering said internet service corresponding to said sending source in response to said requirement to said sending source, which has been converted by said protocol-processing means.

3. (Currently Amended) A home server, which receives a requirement sent from a sending source via a communication line, offers an internet service, and controls equipment connected to said home server in its own home, said home server comprising:

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telephone number coincidence-checking means for determining whether or not it can be accepted to perform said requirement sent from the sending source, said telephone number coincidence-checking means includes means which do not hinder the operation of other telephone equipment including a fax telephone and using a common telephone line connected to said home server;

modem means for receiving said requirement, which has been accepted by said telephone number coincidence-checking means; and

protocol-processing means for converting a signal of said requirement received by said modem means to an internet service requirement.

4. (Currently Amended) A home server, which receives a requirement sent from a sending source via a communication line, offers an internet service, and controls equipment connected to a home server in its own home, said home server comprising:

telephone number coincidence-checking means for determining whether or not it can be accepted to perform said requirement sent from the sending source, said telephone number coincidence-checking means includes means which do not hinder the operation of other telephone equipment including a fax telephone and using a common telephone line connected to said home server; and

modem means for receiving said requirement, which has been accepted by said telephone number coincidence-checking means.

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5 (Currently Amended) A home server, which receives a requirement sent from a sending source via a communication line, offers an internet service, and controls equipment connected to said home server in its own home, said home server comprising:

telephone number coincidence-checking means for determining whether or not it can be accepted to perform said requirement sent from the sending source, said telephone number coincidence-checking means includes means which do not hinder the operation of other telephone equipment including a fax telephone and using a common telephone line connected to said home server;

modem means for receiving said requirement, which has been accepted by said telephone number coincidence-checking means;

protocol-processing means for converting a signal of said requirement to an internet service requirement; and

internet service-offering means for offering said internet service corresponding to said requirement to said sending source, which has been converted by said protocol-processing means.

6. (Currently Amended) An internet service system comprising:

an information terminal for requiring an internet service;

a communication line for ~~transiting~~ transmitting said internet service; and

a home server according to claim 1, for receiving said transmitted internet service;

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wherein said internet service can be implemented by said information terminal.

7. (Currently Amended) An internet service system comprising:

an internet for transmitting an internet service required from a sending source;

a service provider which receives said internet service from said internet, and implements said connection between said sending source and a receiving destination to which said sending source intends to connect;

[[an]] a communication line for transmitting said internet service; and

a home server according to claim 1, which receives said internet service;

wherein said internet service can be implemented from said internet.

8. (Previously Presented) The home server of any one of claims 1-5, wherein said sending source comprises a calling-up person or a machine.

9. (Previously Presented) The home server of any one of claims 1-4, wherein said telephone number coincidence-checking means comprises a unit for confirming on a registration of a telephone number corresponding to a telephone accessing said home server.